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CALI LESSONLINK

Did you know you can track CALI Lessons?

If you've ever wanted to assign a CALI lesson and be able to track student completion as well as how they answered, you can. Using [LessonLink](#) from CALI allows you to create customized links to CALI lessons. Share these links with your students via your course web site or email, students log into CALI, and upload their results when complete.

Using your faculty log in you will be able to see the class results, including

individual answer responses. To see a demo on how this is done please click [here](#).

If your interested in trying this out please feel free to [contact us](#).

We recommend providing your students with the authorization code for registration "BOSCOLstu16" and this [FAQ](#) to help them upload results accurately.



GROUP PROJECTS WITH GOOGLE DOCS

Do you have an idea for a group project?

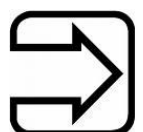
Presently we are working with Professor McMorow in Professional Responsibility to facilitate a group project using Google Docs. Inspired by the Keynote: This is How We Think: Learning in Public After the Paradigm Shift [Dr. Richard E. Miller](#) and [Dr. Paul D. Hammond](#) from 2010 eTeaching Day (Click here for the [video](#)).

Using Google Docs form option we provided students with a survey to choose groups based on predefined topics, and then with a shared document to work together in a group.

As a faculty member Professor McMorow can drop in at any time to check on progress, review contributions at every step, and offer tips throughout the process. To complete the project we're going to offer a peer assessment survey and peer review discussion forums in Blackboard Vista.



If you've been thinking about a group project, please let us know, we can help.



TECHNOLOGY GRANTS

Have an idea for incorporating technology?

Soon you will receive an announcement calling for applications for the [Academic Technology Innovation Grant](#) and [Exploratory Technology Grant](#). If you are interested in pursuing either of these (or any grant) please feel free to contact Ed Tech for a consultation. We're happy to work with you to ensure your application process and project goes smoothly.

As two major grant [projects](#) are coming to a close, an ATIG with LAB on annotating student client-meetings with [MediaNotes](#) and a TAM grant to create a [CALI Lesson](#) with Professor Anderson, we hope to explore more innovative ideas in the upcoming year. If you have an idea, no matter the scope, please [contact us](#).

UPDATES & NEWS IN ED TECH

- Ed Tech has revamped its offerings on the [web](#), uses [Twitter](#) to deliver related news, and established a [Blackboard Vista](#) site to keep you up to date and informed with **any-time trainings, documentation, and templates**.
- **Blackboard Vista** has seen heavy use from the Law School in the fall semester. We have many courses with web sites (over 70!), and requests continue to come in. If you haven't already, please feel free to submit your course web site request to lawedtech@bc.edu. The law library maintains a list of active [course web sites](#) for faculty and students to gain access to or review. If you notice your site isn't listed please let us know.
- **Tweets**, follow the library Tweeters on Twitter; [@BCLawLib](#), [@filippaz](#), [@ChesterGK](#)



IN THE NEWS...

- * [How to Do \(Almost\) Everything With a Kindle 3](#)
- * [Amazon Sells More E-Books Than Hardcover](#)
- * [Closing the Digital Frontier](#) from The Atlantic.
- * [Take a Minute to Collect Your Thoughts With Evernote.](#)
- * [Law School 2.0: Legal Education for a Digital Age](#)
- * [Mobile Apps and Resources for Legal Professionals and Other Researchers](#)
- * [Student Smartphone Use Doubles; Instant Messaging Loses Favor](#)

Blackboard Copyright Guidelines

"Blackboard Vista provides a password protected environment, so the same Fair Use guidelines which apply to disseminating material in a class setting apply to posting material in Blackboard Vista. [BC's policy concerning copyright issues](#) is in accordance with U.S. Copyright Law as applied in the [Agreement On Guidelines For Classroom Copying In Not-For-Profit Educational Institutions With Respect To Books And Periodicals](#), stated under the instructions on [course reserves](#).

Use of copyrighted material on an academic website such as a Blackboard Vista course is not particularly clear cut. However, there are some [helpful guidelines available](#)."

Anytime Trainings and Consultations

We are available for trainings on Blackboard Vista, i>clickers, Wimba Voice Tools, and many other programs.

We look forward to helping to make your educational technology ideas turn into reality, [contact us](#).